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CHEROKEE, FOR AMB. TOON FROM THE SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: XGDS-3

TAGS: PSDC, UR, CASC

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR FOREIGN MINISTER GROMYKO

1. PLEASE CONVEY ASAP TO FOREIGN MINISTER GROMYKO THE  
FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM ME. IF YOU HAVE  
SUGGESTED CHANGES, PLEASE FLASH THEM TO ME.

2. BEGIN MESSAGE:

QUOTE

I WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW OF MY DEEP PERSONAL CONCERN  
ABOUT THE WHITNEY AND PIPER CASES. I AM CONCERNED AT  
THE EFFECT THAT THESE ACTIONS ARE VERY LIKELY TO HAVE  
ON OUR EFFORTS TO BUILD A MORE STABLE OVERALL RELATION-  
SHIP BETWEEN OUR NATIONS. YOU KNOW, AS WELL AS ANYONE,  
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HOW IMPORTANT THE PRESS IS TO GAINING PUBLIC SUPPORT  
FOR SUCH EFFORTS.

IN PARTICULAR, THE TIME SCHEDULE PRESENTED TO PIPER AND  
WHITNEY IS FORCING EVENTS AT AN IMPOSSIBLE PACE.

I KNOW YOU SHARE MY BELIEF THAT WE CAN MAKE PROGRESS ON

ISSUES OF TRULY FUNDAMENTAL IMPORTANCE. I HOPE VERY

MUCH THAT YOU CAN LEND YOUR PERSONAL EFFORTS AND  
ASSISTANCE IN HEADING OFF A NEW AND DAMAGING CYCLE OF  
ACTIONS AND REACTIONS.

WITH PERSONAL REGARDS,

SINCERELY,

CYRUS VANCE

UNQUOTE

END OF MESSAGE. VANCE

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